## **National Conference of State Legislatures**

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Section 5-11-305, MCA, authorizes Montana's participation in "appropriate interstate organizations", the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) among them. NCSL is a bipartisan organization that serves only legislators and their staffs. NCSL provides research, technical assistance, and opportunities for policymakers to exchange ideas on the most pressing state issues and is an advocate for the interests of the states in the American federal system.

Much of the NCSL's work is accomplished through 15 standing committees composed of legislators and legislative staff from across the country. The Legislative Council has appointed legislators to 2-year terms as members of the following NCSL committees.

## <u>Membership</u>

Committee	Senate Members		House Members	
Agriculture and Rural Development	Larson	Steinbeisser	Bergren	Ross
Budgets and Revenue	Bales	Elliott	Buzzas	Taylor
Communications, Technology, and Interstate Commerce	Brueggeman	Tropila	Lindeen	Rice
Economic Development, Trade, and Cultural Affairs	Moss	Perry	Arntzen	Gallik
Education	Ryan	Story	Lake	Raser
Energy and Electric Utilities	Gebhardt	Toole	Klock	Small- Eastman
Environment and Natural Resources	Laible	Lind	Dickenson	Heinert
Financial Services	Barkus	Smith	Jopek	McGillvray
Health	Grimes	Squires	Becker	Morgan

Human Services and Welfare	Cobb	Schmidt	Henry	W. Jones
Labor and Workforce Development	Cocchiarella	Essmann	Keane	Mendenhall
Law and Criminal Justice	Cromley	McGee	Gutsche	Ward
Legislative Effectiveness and State Government	Hawks	Shockley	MacLaren	Wilson
Redistricting and Elections	Barkus	Squires	R. Brown	Jayne
Transportation	Black	Pease	B. Olson	Golie

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